incurred as a result of the fire to the Port installation is estimated to be in the region of about Rs. 15 lakhs. Enquiry report has just been received and the question of fixing responsibility is being examined.

(d) The procedures for enforcing prevention of pollution and fire fighting are being further tightened in order to ensure that the port remains fully prepared at all times to meet any such accident.

Complaint registered against VHP in Delhi

275. SHRI VITHAL BHAI M. PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a complaint has been registered against the leaders of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad in Delhi for instigating speeches delivered by them;

(b) if so, what are the details of the complaint registered by the police against the leaders of the V.H.P. in Delhi;

(c) what are the names of the persons of the V.H.P. who are figure in the FIR; and

(d) whether any charge-sheet has been submitted by the Police against the leaders of the V.H.P., if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) According to Delhi Police, some V.H.P. leaders and others has raised objectionable slogans and made inflammatory speeches. As a sequel to this, case FIR No. 139 dated 15-7-90 u/s 153-A/295-P. Police Station, Town Hall, FIR No. 152/90 u/s 295-A/153-A IPC Police Station Keshav Puram and FIR No. 215 dated 25-6-90 u/s 153-A/295-A IPC Police Station Parliament Street, New Delhi, have been registered against them.

(d) No, Sir.

Pending applications for telephone connection in Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Surat and Rajkot

276. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of applications are pending for telephone connection in the city of Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Surat and Rajkot in Gujarat;

(b) if so, the number of applications pending in all these four cities for telephone connection till date; and

(c) by when these applicants are likely to be provided telephone connection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) The number of applicants who are in the waiting list as on 30-6-90 is as under:

Ahmedabad	28125
Vadodara	22241
Rajkot	4861
Surat	36192

(c) These applicants are likely to be provided with telephone connections progressively during 8th plan period (1990-95).

Need of new National Highways

277. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the need for construction of some more National Highways due to increasing frequency of vehicles and traffic in some of the National Highways for diversion of traffic destined for small distances;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;